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CARCASS OBTAINED THEREBY
being a **Continuation** of PCT International Application No. PCT/EP99/09389
filed December 1, 1999
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) as a **Continuation** application of PCT International Application No. PCT/EP99/09389, filed December 1, 1999, which claimed priority of European Patent Application No. 98830778.1, filed December 23, 1998 and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/118,527, filed February 2, 1999.

1. Application - 45 pages, including 3 independent claims and 29 claims total (as amended).
2. Preliminary Amendment with Abstract of the Disclosure (1 page).
3. Drawings - 9 sheets of formal drawings containing 15 figures.
4. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
5. ✓ Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Pirelli Pneumatici S.p.A.

6. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 11 documents attached.
7. Copy of cover page of WIPO Publication No. WO00/38906.
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on European Patent Application No. 98830778.1, filed December 23, 1998 and the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/118,527, filed February 2, 1999.

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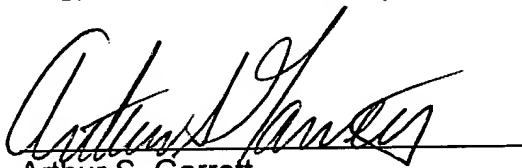
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